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PEOPLE VS: Prince Watson
CASE NO: UCR-14650
CHARGE: Murder
JUDGE: James Linn
SENTENCING DATE: March 13, 2013
NAME OF VICTIM: Sally Katona-King
STATEMENT OF: David King
RELATIONSHIP TO VICTIM: Son

VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT

I certify that the information contained in this statement is true to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE:

David C. King

VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT

The loss of my mother, Sally Katona-King has drastically affected every aspect of my life. Survival is now a luxury. It is important to me that the court understand just how far-reaching this tragedy is.

I have quietly waited a long time for this moment.

Physically and financially, this has been devastating. My mom was my roommate so the expenses of rent, utilities, food, etc were shared 50/50. In an instant, every financial aspect of my survival doubled. We rented an apartment from the church where my mom cooked for those in need on Sunday while I did janitorial work. We were a team. After her passing, I struggled to hold on as my job only paid \$12.00/hour with close friends helping out with a benefit. Eventually, it was more than I could handle and I had to move out. Our possessions have been in a storage locker which is a financial strain. I have been staying with friends whose kindness is boundless, and sleeping on a couch or in a guest bedroom. Things are impacted further as last month I was laid off from my job of the last four years. Life as I knew it is gone. Financially, I have nothing.

The emotional toll, however, far outweighs all of this. She was on her way home from work when she was murdered. I was called to the hospital and what I saw was a picture that will never leave my mind. I saw a soulless woman who was not there. Shortly thereafter, a decision was made to disconnect her from life support. It haunts me to this day that I never got to say goodbye. I have lost my roommate, my confidant, my best friend, my mother. Sometimes I feel so lost without her in my life. My emotions have gone from wanting to kill the defendant, to punching a brick wall, to shedding tears in friend's arms many times. I now put my faith in a court system to give a just sentence to a senseless, tragic and selfish crime. Not only did I lose my mother but I had to endure almost 2 years of hearings to seek justice for her. While attending court dates my thoughts go from grieving that she will never know her 2 great grandchildren to the dreams that she will never realize. Most of all though, I think about what I wouldn't give for a chance to hug her one more time. It was painful but necessary as my mom needed to be represented at every hearing.

I now put my faith in a justice system to impose a fair sentence on a senseless murder. The defendant took away one of the most beautiful people to ever walk the face on this earth. He had done this act many times

**and even perpetrated it after all the media hype of my mother's murder.
What a callous disregard for humanity! I pray that justice is served. Thank
you.**